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Regional Water Quality Control Board
320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200
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Subject: Hewitt Pit Landfill
7245 - 7361 Laurel Canyon Rd., North Hollywood, CA 91605

Dear Dr. Yang:

Based on recent conversations with the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board ("RWQCB") and investigations conducted under the Superfund Program, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 Office ("EPA Region 9") has concerns that the closed Hewitt Pitt Landfill may potentially be releasing pollutants that are contributing to groundwater contamination in the area. The Hewitt Pit Landfill is located at 7245-7361 Laurel Canyon Road in North Hollywood, California.

EPA Region 9 requests the assistance and cooperation of RWQCB staff in the investigation of potential contamination of groundwater related to the landfill site. EPA Region 9 understands that the Hewitt Pitt Landfill belongs to a RWQCB category of Closed, Abandoned, or Inactive (CAI) landfills that are normally not regulated under Waste Discharge Requirements, unless there are existing environmental issues related to the site. EPA Region 9 hopes that this letter can be used as justification for the Regional Board to issue a CWC Section 13267 order to require the landfill owner to collect groundwater monitoring data at the landfill and submit to the Regional Board.

If you have any questions or concerns, I can be reached at 415-972-3336 or shaffer.caleb@epa.gov. I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Caleb Shaffer", is written over a horizontal line.

Caleb Shaffer
Section Chief, CA Site Cleanup Section I